

**Amendment after final Office Action
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

MOUGIN *ET AL.*

Application Serial No.: 09/904,516

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Title: NOVEL CATIONIC ASSOCIATIVE POLYURETHANES AND THEIR USE AS THICKENERS

Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: SHARAREH, S.J.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 24, 2005, Applicants request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee is included with this response.

Amendments and a complete listing of the claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 10.